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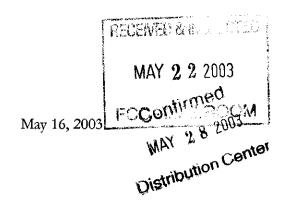
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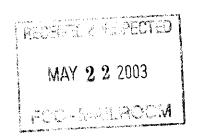
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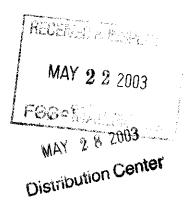
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I just received my stock report from my few shares of VIACOM. Two Hundred Million Dollars in stock options are reserved for the President and the Chairman!! This is not the picture of a company struggling to make ends meet. This is a company that probably should be broken up before there is an Enron style collapse.

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To: Mr. Powell

Federal Communications Commission

From: Tim & Debbie Richards

6217 W. 156<sup>th</sup> Street Overland Park, KS 66223

Subject: Against Easing Media Ownership Rules



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